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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445-12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

RE:

USF Certification Pursuant to 47 USC 254(e)

CC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Dortch:

At this time, the Missouri Public Service Commission (MoPSC) hereby declines to certify that rural carrier, New Florence Telephone Company (SAC 42-1927), is using its high cost support in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (47 USC § 254(e) 1996). The MoPSC approved a Stipulation and Agreement between its Staff and New Florence Telephone Company whereby, when New Florence has implemented sufficient financial and managerial controls to justify certification of New Florence for receipt of federal Universal Service Fund (USF) disbursements, i.e., the management is independent, has no relationship or ties to current owners and has sufficient knowledge and skill to be acceptable to Staff, Staff will recommend to the Commission that the Commission certify New Florence Telephone Company. Should the Commission determine that certification is appropriate and that New Florence Telephone Company is using the funds in accordance with Section 254(e), the MoPSC will submit its certification letter at that time.

JD/nd

cc: Ms. Irene Flannery

Universal Service Administrative Company

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Missouri Public Service Commission (Mo PSC) hereby certifies that the following company has certified to this Commission that the funds received from the non-rural hold harmless provision of the federal high cost support funding mechanism are used in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (47 USC § 254(e) 1996). Pursuant to Section 54.316 of the FCC's rules, the MoPSC hereby certifies that CenturyTel's residential rate is less than the safe harbor rate as indicated in the attached Residential Rate Review.

CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (SAC 429784) - formally GTE Midwest Incorporated d/b/a Verizon Midwest formerly GTE of Missouri (SAC 421186)

CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (SAC 429787) - formerly GTE Midwest Incorporated d/b/a Verizon Midwest formerly Contel of Missouri (SAC 421922)

Sincerely.

JD/nd

cc:

Ms. Irene Flannery Universal Service Administrative Company 2000 L Street, NW-Suite 200 Washington, DC 20036

## Residential Rate Review

## Please update these data for October 15 $\,^{2006}$

I. Access Rates	Generally Available Service		Subsidized Services Such as Liteline	
Monthly Charges per Line	(21 ) Unimited or Flat-Rate Service	(#2 ) Measured or Message Service	(#3 ) Unimized or Flat-Rate Service	(#4 ) Measured or Message Service
a. Recurring service charge b. Federal subsolver line charge c. State subscriber line charge d. Touch-Tone monthly charge e. Lowest monthly inside wiring f. Optional extended area plan	\$12.58 \$6.16 N/A N/A \$3.95 \$11.45 – \$32.50	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A	\$5.58	N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A
Charges for calls in the local service area	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
g. The number of volce calls or message units included in the monthly recurring rate if message service		N/A		N/A .
<ul> <li>The dollar calling allowance for voice calls included in the monthly recurring rate if measured service</li> </ul>		N/A		N/A
E. The charge for a 5-minute, business day, same-zone voice call		N/A		N/A

II. Other Mandatory Monthly Charges Associated with Local Access		
a1. Manaztory percentage surcharge for USF passthrough	10.5%	\$0.65
a2. Other mandatory percent surcharges accounted as company revenue	N/A	4,
b1. Mandatory fixed amount surcharge for USF passimough	N/A	
b2. Other mandaloxy fixed amount surcharges accounted as company revenue	N/A	
o. Percentage tax or surcharge for funding 911 service	2.0%	\$0.25
d. Fixed amount tax or surcharge for funding 911 service.	N/A	
e. Federal exclse tax rate	3.0%	\$0.58
<ol> <li>Other percentage taxes (sales, excise, gross reciepts, etc.) levied on monthly service by state countly or</li> </ol>	7.2%	\$1.67
local government		\$0.13
g. Other fixed amount government taxes or surcharges		<b>4011</b> 0

III. Service Connection Charges	Normal Service	Substited Service (e.g., Link-Up)
a. Total connection charge for rotary service if no premises visit is required b. Additional charge if company is connecting Touch-Tore service c. Minimum additional charge if drop time and terminal block are needed to connect service. Do not include any inside wiring charges.	0 0	0 0

# IV. Other Mandatory Charges for Connection a. Mandatory percentage surcharges on connection accounted as company revenue b. State, county, and local taxes and surcharges on connection (total of % rates) c. Other mandatory connection charges N/A

#### **Notes**

The highest rate of \$25.97 (not including **optional** extended area calling) is less than the safe harbor rate of \$34.58, as indicated on USAC's web site.

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Form Completed by: _	/ Catalles	Dutruh_	Contact Telephone Number:	



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RF.

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Missouri Public Service Commission hereby certifies that all rural carriers listed in the attached have certified to this Commission that funds received from the federal high cost support funding mechanism are used in accordance with Section 254(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (47 USC § 254(e) 1996).

Sincerely

Veff Davis

Enclosure (1)

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BPS Telephone Company (SAC 42-0463)

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CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC (SAC 429786) - formerly GTE Midwest Incorporated

d/b/a Verizon Midwest formerly Contel Systems (SAC 4211846)

CenturyTel of Northwest Arkansas, LLC - (SAC 401142 and 401143)

Chariton Valley Telephone Corporation (SAC 421864)

Choctaw Telephone Company (SAC 421893)

Citizen's Telephone Company (SAC 42-1865)

Craw-Kan Telephone Cooperative Inc. (SAC 42-1759)

Ellington Telephone Company (SAC 42-1874)

Embarg (SAC 421957)

Farber Telephone Company (SAC 42-1876)

FairPoint Communications Missouri, Inc. (SAC 421472)

Fidelity Communications Services I, Inc. (SAC 42-9002)

Fidelity Telephone Company (SAC 42-1882)

Goodman Telephone Company (SAC 42-1886)

Granby Telephone Company (SAC 42-1887)

Grand River Mutual Telephone Corporation (SAC 42-1888)

Green Hills Telephone Corporation (SAC 42-1890)

Green Hills Cellular d/b/a Green Hills Telecommunications Services (SAC42-9004)

Holway Telephone Company (SAC 42-1929)

Iamo Telephone Company (SAC 42-1206)

Kingdom Telephone Company (SAC 42-1901)

KLM Telephone Company (SAC 42-1900)

Lathrop Telephone Company (SAC 42-1932)

Le-Ru Telephone Company (SAC 42-1908)

Mark Twain Communications Company (SAC 42-9001)

Mark Twain Rural Telephone Company (SAC 42-1914)

McDonald County Telephone Company (SAC 42-1912)

Mid-Missouri Telephone Company (SAC 421917)

Miller Telephone Company (SAC 42-1920)

Mokan Dial, Inc. (SAC 421807)

New London Telephone Company (SAC 42-1928)

Northeast Missouri Rural Telephone Company/Modern Telecommunications

Company (SAC 421931)

Orchard Farm Telephone Company (SAC 42-1934)

Oregon Farmers Mutual Telephone Company (SAC 42-1935)

Ozark Telephone Company (SAC 42-1866)

Peace Valley Telephone Company, Inc. (SAC 42-1936)

Rock Port Telephone Company (SAC 42-1942)

Seneca Telephone Company(SAC 42-1945)

Spectra Communications Group, LLC d/b/a CenturyTel (SAC 421151)

Steelville Telephone Exchange, Inc. (SAC 42-1949)

Stoutland Telephone Company (SAC 42-1951)

Windstream Missouri, Inc. (SAC 421885)